

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

February 25, 1980

EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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TO: Division File

FROM: Ken Mensing - Southern Region

SUBJECT: Madison County - LPC 119 115 01 - Wood River/Amoco

The purpose of this memo is to provide a brief background and history of the subject site for the benefit of the Enforcement Section toward the preparation of a Notice of Enforcement.

The existence of this site was first ascertained by a helicopter surveillance flight on April 24, 1979. The original on-site investigation took place on September 21, 1979. The investigation revealed that various types of refuse are being disposed of, including special wastes in a flood prone area very close to the Mississippi River. Amoco representatives have met with Tom Cavanagh to discuss permit requirements. It is the Agency's position that the site location and operation does not qualify for a 21(e) permit exemption. Also, permitting of the site would be very difficult, if not impossible.

Amoco's position has been that the wastes are not hazardous and do not pose a pollution threat and also that they do not wish to fully address site problems until RCRA criteria are more definitive. It is apparent that Amoco does not plan to alter site operations until they are forced to do so.

It is felt that the site location is not suitable for refuse disposal and that it should be discontinued as soon as possible. It is further felt that a Notice of Enforcement is appropriate at this time to convey to Amoco that we are truly serious about the violations and problems with the site.

The site has been inspected three (3) times and three (3) warning letters have been written. Only our first letter of October 4, 1979 resulted in a response letter from Amoco. Their letter was dated October 15, 1979.

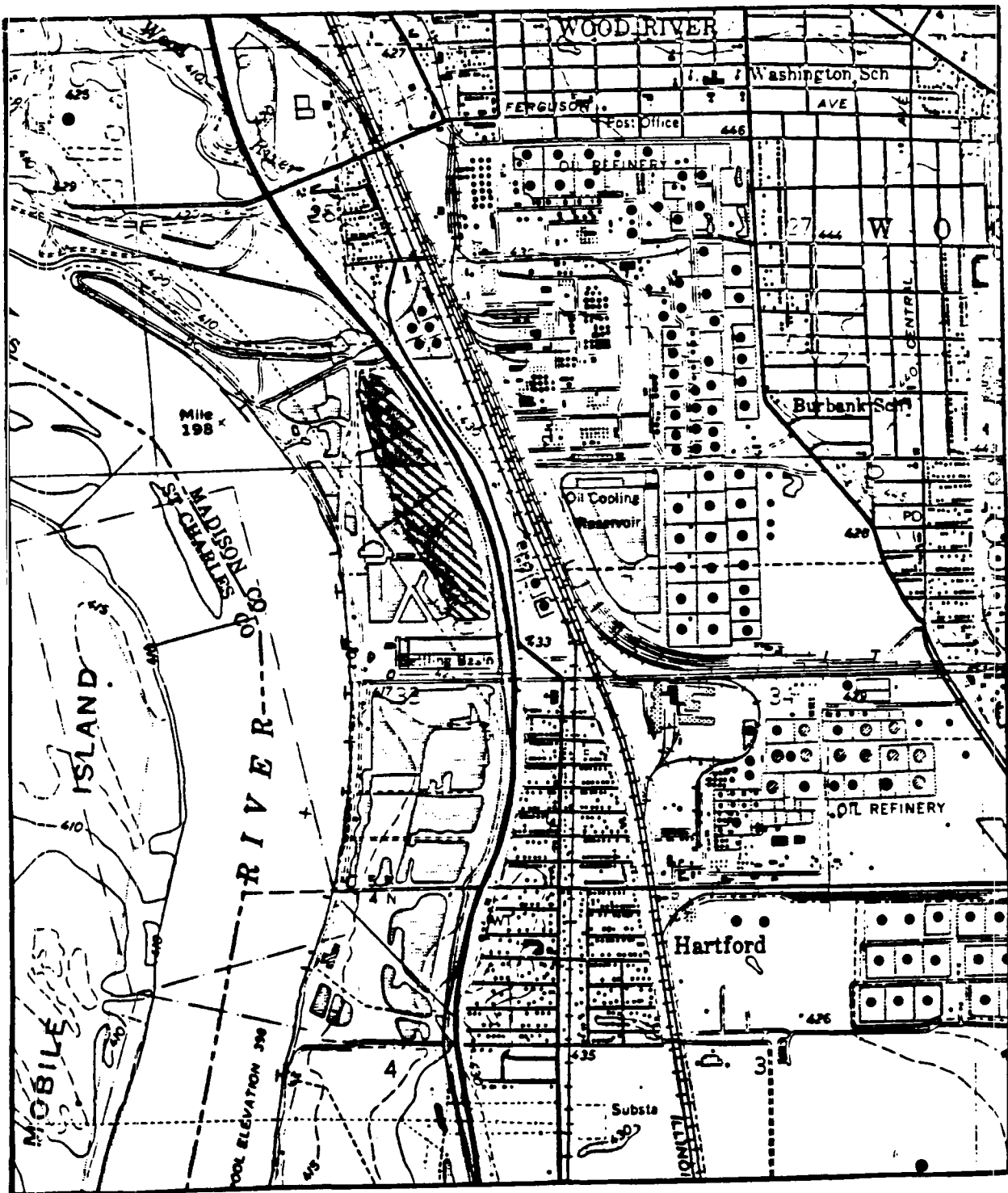
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cc: Southern Region
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Source: USGS
75 minute quadrangle
Wood River, ILL.-MO.,
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PROJECT LOCATION

WCC, 82C054-2, May 1983

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